

Trinity

CONNECTION

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Prizes, raffles, chili,

hotdogs, ice cream,

Feel the Thunder -Taste the Heat!

Car Show and Chili Cook-off

- October 17
- ♠ 8:30 a.m.—3:00 p.m.
- Braxton-Craven School 7037 NC Hwy. 62
- 🥚 No charge to see cars!
- Information: 476-6498

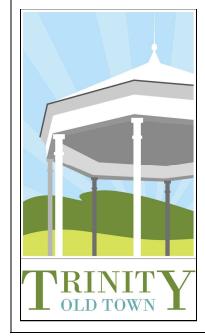


Registration: 8:00 a.m. on the 17th Entry forms and rules: www.friendsoftrinity.com Pre-registration fee: \$15



Day of show registration: \$20

Presented by Friends of Trinity



Plan will put heart in Trinity

n October 20th, the Trinity City Council will consider adopting the 21st Century Vision Plan for Old Town. The fundamental premise of the plan is the creation of a walkable village in the historic and cultural center of the community - at the old Trinity College campus. With the advent of public sewer and potential growth that will follow, the plan envisions this new downtown as a focal point and source of pride for the community.

More Old Town on page 3

Mayor & Council Elections

n Tuesday Nov. 3, Trinity voters will elect a mayor and four city council members. Residents may meet the candidates and hear their views on Trinity issues at a Candidates Forum sponsored by the Archdale-Trinity Chamber of Commerce. Candidates Forum: Thurs. Oct. 15, 7:00 p.m., Trinity City Hall Annex, 6703 Hwy. 62. Info: 434-2073.

Safety for Seniors

rinity's Public Safety Board will host a safety program for seniors focused on fire prevention. The program includes a demonstration on using fire extinguishers.

- Thurs. Nov. 12
- 1:00-3:00 p.m.
- Trinity City Hall Annex
- 6703 Hwy. 62
- Free
- Info: 431-2841

One Weekend Only

CITY HAUL

- Oct. 22, 23, 24 (Thurs.-Sat.)
- 8:30 4:30 (or until bins filled)
- 7194 Turnpike Rd. (YMCA Soccer fields)
- Info: 431-2841
- **FREE for TRINITY RESIDENTS**

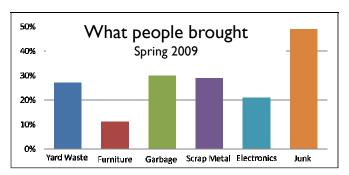
Trinity residents have disposed of 744.91 tons of junk and recycled 9.78 tons of electronics since the first CITY HAUL in 2005

CITY HAUL brings the landfill to you. Get rid of all the stuff that's cluttering your home and property by disposing of the junk in City provided dumpsters.

Acceptable Materials

Electronics, metal, household trash & junk, yard waste, compact fluorescent lights in zip-lock type bags (no tubes)

What's not allowed: Tires, appliances, paint, batteries, toxic or hazardous materials, commercial waste. (Some of these items may be taken to the County Landfill)



Swap Shop

Gently used items may be dropped off at the site. Household goods will be given away to anyone in need. Remaining items will be donated to a local non-profit.

Thank you to our partners

Accessible Outfalls, Friends of Trinity, Grubb Family YMCA of Archdale-Trinity, Synergy Recycling LLC

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Simple steps to healthy water for a healthy future

A nything dumped or dropped on the ground or in the gutter can end up in the nearest body of water. Stormwater pollution results from materials and chemicals washed into storm drains from streets, gutters, neighborhoods, industrial sites, parking lots and construction sites. Unlike the water that goes down a sink or toilet in your home, stormwater is untreated and flows directly to a lake, river, or the ocean.

Improper disposal of used oil contributes significantly to stormwater pollution. The EPA estimates that American households generate 193 million gallons of used oil every year, and improperly dump the equivalent of 17 Exxon Valdez oil spills every year.

Household cleaners can hurt the environment as well. One ounce of household bleach requires dilution with 312,000 ounces of water to be safe for fish. Even biodegradable soaps can pose problems for aquatic life — in order for one

Some stormwater pollution is caused by everyday activities – washing and maintaining cars, littering, watering lawns, etc. There are many simple steps people can do each day to prevent stormwater pollution.

Water your lawn by hand, or adjust sprinklers to avoid overwatering. If water flows off your lawn, you're using too much.

 Drain swimming pools and spas slowly so the water is absorbed into the earth.

- Don't dump waste into storm drains.
- Keep yard clippings out of the street.
- Wash your car at a commercial car wash or on an unpaved surface so the excess water can be

absorbed by the ground.

Dispose of household chemicals properly by following the directions on the package or by calling Randolph County's Public Works department at 819-3607 for proper disposal quidelines.

- Clean up oil spills and fix leaking automobiles.
- Use drip pans to catch engine oil and other pollutants while repairing cars.
- Recycle used motor oil.
- Sweep driveways clean instead of hosing them down.

ounce of biodegradable detergent to be safe for fish, it needs to be diluted by almost 20,000 ounces of water.

Information on stormwater pollution: www.stormwatersmart.org

Flu Facts: Symptoms and advice

People with flu-like symptoms should stay home and avoid contact with other people except to get medical care. Most people with 2009 H1N1 (swine flu) have had mild illnesses and have not needed medical care or antiviral drugs and the same is true of seasonal flu.

However, some people are more likely to get flu complications and they or their care-



givers should talk to a health care provider about treatment should they get flu symptoms this season. They are:

• Children younger than 5, but especially children younger than 2 years old; People 65 and older; Pregnant women; People with existing medical conditions or disorders.

You may have the flu if you have some or all of these symptoms:

•Fever (not common for everyone), cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, body aches, headache, chills, fatigue, sometimes diarrhea and vomiting.

Emergency warning signs

Children: Fast or trouble breathing, bluish skin color, symptoms improve but return with fever and worse cough, fever with rash, not interacting, too irritable to be held.

Adults: Difficult breathing, pain or pressure in the chest or abdomen, sudden dizziness, confusion, severe or persistent vomiting.

Source: Centers for Disease Control

Most open burning illegal in NC

North Carolina law prohibits most open burning because the smoke from outdoor fires can cause serious health problems and pollute the air. A recent study by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency found that backyard burning of trash from a family of four can emit toxic pollutants such as dioxin and furan in amounts comparable to a well-controlled municipal incinerator serving tens of thousands of households.

It is illegal to burn trash and other non-vegetative materials. However, homeowners can burn yard trimmings - except for stumps and logs over 6 inches in diameter - as long as it doesn't cause a public nuisance. Other allowable burning includes fireplaces, campfires, outdoor barbecues and bonfires for festive occasions. Landowners may be allowed to burn vegetation to clear land or clean up storm debris, but they should check first with the Division of Air Quality in Winston-Salem.

The Division of Air Quality enforces open burning regulations. Violators can be fined up to \$25,000 per violation.

For more information

Division of Air Quality: (336) 771-5000

Toll-Free Open Burning Hotline: 1-877 OPEN BURN (1-877-673-6287)

Info: http://www.ncair.org/

City Advisory Boards

Infrastructure/ Parks & Recreation

Mike Robertson, Chairman Sidney Stewart Vice Chairman Tommy Johnson Dean Spinks Michaele Stafford

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City Officials

<u>Mayor</u>

Fran Andrews

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Karen Bridges

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Barry Lambeth

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Robbie Sikes

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Linda Gantt

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Administration

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Lori Hunt, Assistant City Clerk

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Planning Dept.

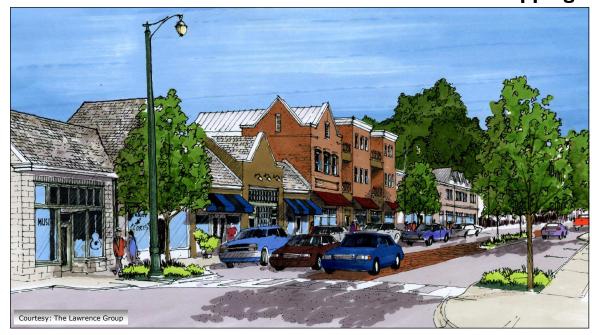
Adam Stumb, Planning/Zoning Administrator & Code Enforcement Officer

Joe Rainey, Planning/Zoning & Code Enforcement Assistant

Water Resources

Rich Baker, Stormwater Administrator

Vision Plan features walkable main street and shopping



Proposed (above): By coordinating the redevelopment of only four parcels on the east side of NC Hwy. 62, a new village center can be created that would be the envy of the surrounding communities with its ambiance and character. The low-scale buildings could be a mix of one and two-story with a variety of facades and roof forms. The east side would be phase 1. The west side, on the site of the Braxton Craven School is phase 2.



The 21st Century Vision Plan for Old Town creates a true center for Trinity. The focus is on the evolution of the former Trinity College campus and the surrounding two square miles into a walkable main street with mixed-use buildings and lively shopping, preserved historic homes, public parks and greenways, and mixed-use compact neighborhoods.

PUBLIC HEARING: Oct. 20, 7 p.m. City Hall

View the plan online: http://trinity-nc.blogspot.com/

Residents may petition for streetlights

he City Council recently approved a process to allow residents to apply for streetlight installation in their neighborhood. To apply, a petition must be submitted to the City Clerk signed by 75% of property owners within an eligible area. There is no installation cost to residents if standard fixtures, supports and overhead wiring are used. Petitioners requesting decorative fixtures and supports and/or underground wiring are responsible for additional costs as required by the City and Duke Energy.

Eligible areas

Defined as a length of contiguous homes fronting the same street or adjoining streets within the same



block or within 200 feet of an intersection. No street address number may be omitted from the contiguous listing. The minimum number of

homes to be defined as a subdivision or neighborhood shall be equal to or greater than ten within a third of a mile (1760 feet).

Policy & Petition

Available on the City's website, www.trinity-nc.gov under City Departments/Utilities or may be picked up at City Hall.

More information

Planning Department: 431-2841

Get the scoop on City operations

What better way to be involved with your community than by serving on a City advisory board? Applications are being accepted and the City Council is expected to make appointments at the Dec. 15th meeting.

Planning and Zoning Board Conducts hearings on rezoning and land use requests, makes recommendations to the City Coun-

cil, serves as the Board of Adjustment and considers variances to land use ordinances.

<u>Infrastructure/Parks & Recreation Committee</u>

Researches and makes recommendations on services such as

General Info

- Application deadline: Tues. Dec. 1
- Terms are generally 3 years



lights, and recreation.

Public Safety Board

water, wastewater,

stormwater, street-

Investigates public safety issues, organizes and promotes safety and wellness

Applicants should have a willingness to learn about municipal services and an interest in serving the residents of Trinity.

Applications may be obtained at Trinity City Hall, 6701 N.C. Hwy. 62 or by calling 431-2841 or by emailing: cityhall@trinity-nc.gov or by downloading from the City's website: www.trinity-nc.gov.

programs.

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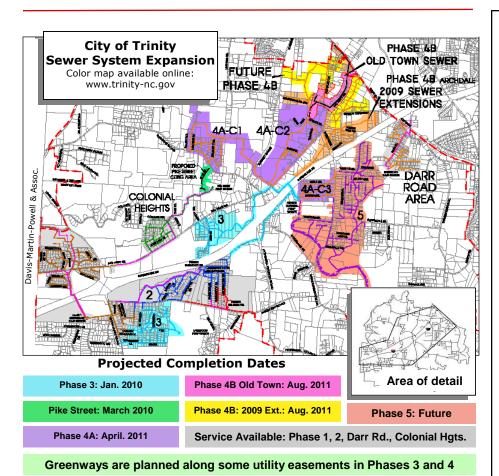
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Public Notice

Sewer System Update — Discount tap fee is \$1,000; the standard fee is \$1,500.

Pike St. Discount tap fee deadline: 6/30/10.

Property owners in Phase 4A and 4B may set up no-interest payment schedules with the understanding that tap fees for those phases have not been set and the cost may change. Information: 431-2841.

Open House & Reception for Newly Elected and Outgoing City Officials

Tuesday Dec. 15. 5:30 – 7:30 p.m., Trinity City Hall. Meet and mingle with City officials. Refreshments served until 6:45. Council meeting begins at 7:00 at which time outgoing officials



will be recognized and newly elected officials will take their oaths of office.

Holiday Homes Tour — Sat. Dec. 5, 2-4 p.m. Eight homes in Trinity and Archdale. Refreshments at Ragan House. Benefit for Trinity Historic Preservation Society and NW Randolph County Arts Council.

Tickets: \$10 in advance—available at Trinity City Hall; \$12 day of event.

Birthday Greetings — Let us know if a friend or family member is turning 100 years old. City officials will recognize this special community member with a plaque presentation at the honoree's home or birthday celebration. Call 431-2841.

City Meetings Schedule

Meetings are held in the new City Hall Annex, 6703 NC Hwy. 62. (behind the City Hall "House.")

City Council

Regular meetings are held third Tuesdays of each month at 7:00 p.m.

Pre-agenda meetings are held second Tuesdays of each month at 4:00 p.m.

Planning & Zoning Board

Meets fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Board serves as Board of Adjustment.

Infrastructure/Parks & Rec Committee

Meets first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

Public Safety Board

Meets fourth Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m.

Meeting agendas are posted online: www.trinity-nc.gov.

Project Safe Place

Trinity City Hall is a Safe Place. Youth at risk of abuse, neglect or family problems may seek help and safety wherever the yellow and black sign is displayed.